

(6) nongovernmental organizations.

(c-1) *The department may enter into a cooperative agreement, interagency agreement, grant agreement, or memorandum of understanding with a federal or state agency for the administration, implementation, or enforcement of this section.*

(d) The department may adopt rules to *administer, implement, and enforce* this section. In the development of rules *under this section* [~~for the certification of approved food safety curriculum or training~~], the department *may consider relevant state, federal, or national standards and may* [~~shall~~] *consult* [~~and coordinate~~] *with federal or state agencies* [~~the Department of State Health Services~~].

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 6, 2017: Yeas 118, Nays 26, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

Approved June 15, 2017.

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## MONITORING OF MAJOR INFORMATION RESOURCES PROJECTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES

### CHAPTER 897

H.B. No. 3275

#### AN ACT

**relating to the monitoring of major information resources projects by the Department of Information Resources.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 2054.1183, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2054.1183. ANNUAL REPORT ON MAJOR INFORMATION RESOURCES PROJECTS. (a) Not later than December 1 of each year, the quality assurance team shall report on the status of major information resources projects to the:

- (1) governor;
- (2) lieutenant governor;
- (3) speaker of the house of representatives;
- (4) presiding officer of the committee in the house of representatives with primary responsibility for appropriations; and
- (5) presiding officer of the committee in the senate with primary responsibility for appropriations.

(b) *The annual report must include:*

- (1) *the current status of each major information resources project; and*
- (2) *information regarding the performance indicators developed under Section 2054.159 for each major information resources project at each stage of the project's life cycle.*

SECTION 2. Subchapter G, Chapter 2054, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2054.159 to read as follows:

Sec. 2054.159. MAJOR INFORMATION RESOURCES PROJECT MONITORING.

(a) *For the entire life cycle of each major information resources project, the quality assurance team shall monitor and report on performance indicators for each project, including schedule, cost, scope, and quality.*

(b) *The department by rule shall develop the performance indicators the quality assurance team is required to monitor under Subsection (a). In adopting rules under this subsection, the department shall consider applicable information technology industry standards.*

(c) *If the quality assurance team determines that a major information resources project is not likely to achieve the performance objectives for the project, the quality assurance team shall place the project on a list for more intense monitoring by the quality assurance team.*

(d) *The quality assurance team shall closely monitor monthly reports for each major information resources project identified under Subsection (c) and, based on criteria developed by the department, determine whether to recommend to the executive director the need to initiate corrective action for the project.*

(e) *The department shall create and maintain on the department's Internet website a user-friendly data visualization tool that provides an analysis and visual representation of the performance indicators developed under Subsection (b) for each major information resources project.*

SECTION 3. Not later than December 1, 2017, the Department of Information Resources shall adopt rules to implement Section 2054.159, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect January 1, 2018.

Passed by the House on April 20, 2017: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Effective January 1, 2018.

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## ADOPTION BY STATE AGENCIES OF RULES AFFECTING RURAL COMMUNITIES

### CHAPTER 898

H.B. No. 3433

#### AN ACT

**relating to the adoption by state agencies of rules affecting rural communities.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 2006, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

#### CHAPTER 2006. AGENCY ACTIONS AFFECTING SMALL BUSINESSES AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

SECTION 2. Section 2006.001, Government Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (1-a) to read as follows:

(1-a) *"Rural community" means a municipality with a population of less than 25,000.*

SECTION 3. Sections 2006.002(a), (b), (c), (c-1), (d), and (g), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A state agency considering adoption of a rule that would have an adverse economic effect on small businesses, ~~or~~ micro-businesses, *or rural communities* shall reduce that effect if doing so is legal and feasible considering the purpose of the statute under which the rule is to be adopted.